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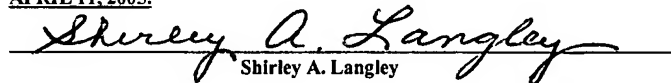
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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**RESPONSE TO THE FIRST OFFICE ACTION**

This is in response to the non-final and first substantive Office Action of January 11, 2005 which objected to dependent claims 13 and 14 as being indefinite and rejected the remaining elected claims only under §103 over a combination of prior art references.